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JANUARY TRANSPORT PLAN NOT MET

TRANSPORT PROGRAM LAGS -- Zeri i Popullit, No 40 (429), 16 Feb 50

The Albanian transportation plan for January was not fulfilled satisfactorily. Only 71.24 percent of the quota for motor transportation of freight was met, for motor transportation of passengers, only 68.9 percent for railroad freight, 76.53 percent, and for railroad passengers, 62.76 percent. The quota for transportation by sea, however, was realized by 139.89 percent.

The plan was unrealistic since it did not allow for depreciation of the trucks that were engaged in transporting chrome ore during the last quarter of 1949. In addition, some industrial enterprises failed to close contracts with transportation enterprises, and others that signed contracts did not have their goods ready on time.

BUILD THIRD RAILROAD IN ALBANIA -- Novaya Albaniya, No 25/26, Sep/Oct 49

Construction of the third Albanian railroad line, which connects the Durres-Tirana line with the Industrial Zone, was completed at the end of August 1949. It opened for traffic on 8 September 1949. This line, between Kashar and the Industrial Zone, is 7 kilometers long, while the Durres-Tirana line is 37, and the Durres-Peqin line is 43 kilometers long. The Kashar-Industrial Zone tract consists of 10,000 ties and 8,000 meters

Construction of the 40-kilometer Peqin-Elbasan railroad is also to be completed under the Two-Year Plan.

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